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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of	)	<b>MAIL STOP ISSUE FEE</b>
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Application No.: 09/756,924 ✓	)	Group Art Unit: 2623
Filed: January 10, 2001	)	Examiner: JINGGE WU
For: CODER, CODING METHOD,	)	Confirmation No.: 6342
PROGRAM, AND IMAGE FORMING	)	
APPARATUS FOR IMPROVING	)	
IMAGE DATA COMPRESSION	)	
RATIO	)	

**REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION OF NON-ELECTED CLAIMS**

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Sir:

In the Election of Species Requirement dated October 20, 2003, the Examiner indicated that claim 1 is generic. In response to the Election Requirement, Applicants elected the species of Figures 3 and 4, with traverse.

Subsequently, claims 1-7, 10, 24, and 26 were allowed, without amendment. In the Notice of Allowance, the Examiner canceled the non-elected claims 8, 9, 11-23, 25, and 27. In view of the fact that the Examiner has indicated that claim 1 is generic, the non-elected claims should be considered since the Examiner has taken the position that claim 1 is generic.

Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to consider and allow claims 8, 9, 11-23, 25, and 27.

In the event that there are any questions concerning this request, the Examiner is respectfully urged to telephone the undersigned attorney so that prosecution of the application may be expedited.

Respectfully submitted,

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